

Kimki language

Kimki (Aipki^[3]) or **Sukubatom** (Sukubatong) is a South Pauwasi language of Batom District, Pegunungan Bintang Regency, Papua, Indonesia. Foley classifies Kimki as a language isolate, although he notes some similarities with Murkim.^[3] Usher demonstrates a connection to the other South Pauwasi languages.

Dialects include the varieties spoken in Batom and Sabi villages (Rumaropen 2004).^[4]

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Pronouns

Pronouns are:^[3]

Kimki independent pronouns

	sg	pl
1	win	name
2	fume	same
3	mame	

Basic vocabulary

Basic vocabulary of Kimki listed in Foley (2018):^[3]

Kimki	
Sukubatom	
Native to	Indonesia
Region	Papua: Pegunungan Bintang Regency, Batom District, near Sepik River entrance to Papua New Guinea
Native speakers	500 (2004) ^[1]
Language family	Pauwasi - Yetfa – South Pauwasi - South Pauwasi Kimki
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	sbt
Glottolog	kimk1238 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/kimk1238) ^[2]

Kimki basic vocabulary

gloss	Kimki
'bird'	ã
'blood'	afupla
'bone'	kwal
'breast'	mua
'ear'	bwa
'eat'	auko
'egg'	im
'eye'	ẽ
'fire'	kamop
'give'	an
'go'	bi ~ kaik
'ground'	nim
'hair'	it
'hear'	fas
'leg'	up
'louse'	nim
'man'	ap
'moon'	lokaya
'name'	aip ~ mi
'one'	amatri
'road, path'	bagin
'see'	we :
'sky'	fim
'stone'	kwil
'sun'	bwakaya
'tongue'	albak
'tooth'	lu :
'tree'	maul
'two'	alas
'water'	dɪ
'woman'	kiam

Sentences

Some example sentences in Kimki from Rumaropen (2004), as quoted in Foley (2018):^{[5][3]}

(1)

'He came yesterday.'

'She went to the village.'

'She eats cooked rice.'

'She gave money to my father.'

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